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notify the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 National Office when its disaster loan program is made available. The FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 National Office will notify State Directors, by memorandum, of the SBA disaster areas; and State Directors will notify the appropriate County Supervisor(s) in writing.

### **§ 1945.27 Relationship between FCIC and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354.**

(a) *General.* Exhibit A of FmHA Instruction 2000-N (available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office) is a Memorandum of Understanding between FCIC and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. This Memorandum of Understanding is intended to assist in maintaining and improving the working relationship between the FCIC and the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 by providing encouragement to regular and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 EM loan borrowers to use Federal All-Risk Crop Insurance, where available; assist FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 borrowers to obtain All-Risk Crop Insurance or other agricultural commodity insurance coverage; and exchange information essential to the elimination of duplicating compensatory disaster benefits from the FCIC and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 for the same disaster losses.

(b) *Annual meeting with FCIC.* FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 State Directors will meet with FCIC Field Operations Office Directors at least once each year to review the Memorandum of Understanding and rededicate their efforts and those of their respective agency employees to comply with the agreements contained in the Memorandum of Understanding.

(c) *Contact after EM actual loss loans are made available.* After each disaster, when EM loans are made available, State Directors are *required* to promptly contact the FCIC Field Operations Office Director to review the Memorandum of Understanding and agree on

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how each agency will fulfill its responsibilities in dealing with the disaster situation.

(d) *Notification to County Offices.* State Directors *will* provide instructions for actions to be taken by County Supervisors in maintaining a good relationship with FCIC Insurance Representatives.

### **§ 1945.28 Relationship between ASCS and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354.**

Exhibit A of FmHA Instruction 2000-JJ (a copy of which is available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office) is a Memorandum of Understanding between ASCS and FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. This Memorandum of Understanding is intended to assist in maintaining and improving the working relationship between the ASCS and the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 by coordinating certain ASCS disaster programs with the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 EM loan program. It specifically identifies the administrative responsibilities of FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 County Supervisors and ASCS County Executive Directors concerning disaster benefits.

### **§ 1945.29 [Reserved]**

### **§ 1945.30 FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 Emergency Loan Support Teams (ELST).**

(a) *Use of ELSTs.* ELSTs are to be used when a disaster warrants immediate attention by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 in implementing the EM loan program. Also, ELSTs are used when unusually large numbers of EM loan applications are received and personnel from other areas are required to be temporarily assigned to assist in rendering prompt service to the affected area(s).

(b) *State Office ELST.* Each State Director shall form an ELST to be deployed, when needed, in areas affected by a major disaster, Presidential emergency, or a natural disaster. ELSTs shall assist the State Directors in expediting the making of EM loans to disaster victims.